



## Safe Routes to School Recognition Program Nomination Form

*The following information is requested in the online nomination form. Use this page to help gather materials for your application. Please DO NOT fill out this page – apply directly online at <http://www.saferoutesnj.org/become-a-partner/>.*

*If you need assistance, please [contact your SRTS Regional Coordinator](#).*

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### General Information:

Are you applying for recognition for a school or municipality?

- School  
 Municipality

For which recognition level are you applying?

- First Step  
 Bronze  
 Silver  
 Gold

Applicant Name (Name of School or Municipality): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program? \_\_\_\_\_

If applicant is a school, what grades does it serve?

- K-5  
 6-8  
 9-12  
 Other



## First Step Recognition for Schools

### Champion's Information from School:

(NOTE: Champions may NOT be a [Transportation Management Association or SRTS Regional Coordinator](#))

Name of School Champion:

Role (e.g. school official or staff, teacher, parent, committee member, etc.):

Phone Number:

Best Day and Time to Reach School Champion:

Email Address:

Describe your school's SRTS Program (if any):

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## Bronze Level Recognition for Schools (Sustainable Jersey for Schools level)

To attain BRONZE level recognition for a school the following must be met:

- [Endorsement/Support Letter](#) of SRTS from School or School District.
- Hold at least **two** pedestrian or bicycle safety education programs or walk and bike to school events **AND** implement **one** active transportation best practice (e.g. remote pick up/drop off, staggered dismissals, Safe Routes to bus stops, bike, scooter, skateboard parking, walking club for staff/reward staff that walk/bike to school). The education programs and events must have been held within twelve months of the submission date. The active transportation best practice must have been implemented within three years of the submission date and currently be utilized to benefit the school community.

**NOTE: This requirement also earns 10 points towards [Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification](#)!**

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## Silver Level Recognition for Schools

To attain SILVER level recognition for a school the following must be met:

- Meet Bronze level recognition requirements (endorsement letter from school/school district, hold at least **two** pedestrian or bicycle safety education programs or walk and bike to school events AND implement **one** active transportation best practice.

Silver applicants must also complete at least **ONE** of the following:

- A [walkability or bikeability assessment](#) around the school (must be within 3 years of the date of the submission date).
  - School-wide [Student Travel Mode Tallies](#) (must be within the past 2 years of the submission date).
  - Implement **two** pedestrian or bicycle safety education programs or walk and bike to school events or active transportation best practice. The education programs and events must have been held within twelve months of the submission date. The active transportation best practice must have been implemented within three years of the submission date and still be utilized to benefit the school community.
  - Ongoing year-round active travel program (e.g. Walking Wednesdays, Walking School Bus).
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## Gold Level Recognition for Schools

The following requirements are necessary to attain GOLD level recognition for a school:

- Meet Silver level recognition requirements (endorsement letters from school, and an added requirement of (1) [walkability or bikeability assessment](#), (2) School-wide [Student Travel Mode Tallies](#), (3) Total of 5 SRTS events or active transportation best practices, OR (4) ongoing year-round active travel program.

**AND**

- Show ongoing support of SRTS from PTO, PTA, Green Team, School Administration, School Wellness Council, etc.

Gold applicants must also complete at least **ONE** of the following:

- Complete a [School Travel Plan](#) which includes all 6 of the components.  
**NOTE: This requirement earns 10 points towards Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification!**
  - [Adopt a supportive walking and bicycling to school policy.](#)  
**NOTE: This requirement earns 10 points towards Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification!**
  - Implement an innovative walk/bike to school program or project, subject to approval.
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## First Step Recognition for Municipalities

### Champion's Information from Municipality:

Name of Municipal Champion:

(NOTE: Champions may NOT be a Transportation Management Association)

Role (e.g. Council Member, municipal committee member, municipal officer or staff, etc.):

Phone Number:

Best Day and Time to Reach Municipal Champion:

Email Address:

Describe your municipality's SRTS Program (if any):

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## Bronze Level Recognition for Municipalities

The following requirements are necessary to attain BRONZE level recognition for municipality:

- [Resolution/Letter of Support for SRTS](#) from the Municipality.

And, Bronze applicants must also complete at least **ONE** of the following:

- Manage/lead, provide staff (e.g. municipal employee, police officer, municipal committee member) or perform significant outreach for at least 2 SRTS events (e.g. Walk or Bike to School, Bike Rodeo) or pedestrian and bicycle safety education event within the past 12 months.
  - Complete a [Post Observation Report](#) for the top 5 busiest Crossing Guard locations (e.g. high traffic volumes, high pedestrian crossings, intersections of concern, etc.).
  - Implement an innovative SRTS project, subject to approval.
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## Silver Level Recognition for Municipalities (Sustainable Jersey level)

To attain SILVER level recognition for a municipality the following must be met:

- Meet Bronze level recognition requirements (resolution/letter of support from municipality, as well as an added requirement).

AND, Silver applicants must also complete at least ONE of the following:

- Annual training of all Crossing Guards including new crossing guards AND re-training of all returning crossing guards.
- Manage/lead, provide staff or perform significant outreach for a total of 6 events or pedestrian and bicycle safety events (or an incremental of 4 events if completed two events from the Bronze list of requirements) within the past 2 years.
- Implement an innovative SRTS project, subject to approval.

***NOTE: Municipalities that attain Silver level SRTS Recognition receive 10 points toward Sustainable Jersey certification!***

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## Gold Level Recognition for Municipalities

The following requirements are necessary to attain GOLD level recognition for a school or school district:

- Meet Silver level recognition requirements (endorsement letter from municipality, and an added requirement.

AND

- Show ongoing support of SRTS from PTO, PTA, Green Team, Borough Council, Borough Administration, etc.

AND

- Adopt a Complete Streets Policy – which must meet minimum standards.  
*NOTE: Municipalities can earn 10 points toward [Sustainable Jersey](#) certification for this requirement!*

Gold applicants must also complete at least ONE of the following:

- Active participant in the completion of a [School Travel Plan](#) which includes all 6 components.  
*NOTE: Schools can earn 10 points toward [Sustainable Jersey for Schools](#) certification for this requirement!*
  - Inclusion of a comprehensive municipal [Crossing Guard Policy](#) which **must** include the following sections: Training, Re-training and Uniform and Equipment.
  - Innovative SRTS project, subject to approval.
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